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Applicant	:	Kennedy, <i>et al.</i>	
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OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this submission.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this submission.